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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Toshio YAMAGUCHI  
Serial No.: 09/873,362  
Filed: June 5, 2001  
For: AN IMPROVED SYSTEM AND METHOD TO DYNAMICALLY  
SELECT AND LOCATE SERVER BASED ON SERVER'S  
VERSION INFORMATION (As Amended)  
Group: 2126  
Examiner: H. Patel

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 4, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2004, setting a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 4, 2005, reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.